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Holiday Schedule for Labor Day, September 4

Montgomery County Government will observe the following holiday schedule for Labor Day.

County Offices – closed

Libraries – closed

County Liquor stores – all stores will be open 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Recreation – Bethesda, Germantown, Western County, Wheaton/Glenmont and MLK outdoor aquatic facilities will be open from noon to 6 p.m. Olney Indoor Swim Center will be open normal hours; all other indoor aquatic facilities, as well as the Long Branch and Upper County outdoor pools, will be closed. Administrative offices, senior centers and community centers are closed.

Montgomery Parks - For operating schedule, visit www.MontgomeryParks.org

Ride On – will operate on a Sunday schedule. See information at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Transit/holiday_schedules.html.

Metrail – Information available at www.wmata.com

Metrobus – Information available at www.wmata.com

TRiPS Commuter Stores (Silver Spring and Friendship Heights) – closed

Refuse/recycling pickup – no collection. Collection provided one day later for remainder of the week. (Last collection is Saturday). More information available at <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/sws/holidays/>

The Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station - closed

Parking at public garages, lots, curbside meters – free

MCPS Schools and Administrative Offices – closed

State offices and courts – closed

Metro Update: Station shutdowns on the Orange/Blue/Red Lines this weekend, August 26-27

This Sunday from 7:00am until 2:00 p.m., buses will replace trains between the Twinbrook and Grosvenor stations to allow for a full-scale safety exercise at the White Flint station. Red Line trains will operate every 15 minutes between Shady Grove & Twinbrook and between Grosvenor & Glenmont.

More information about this weekend's track work can be found at wmata.com

The Poolesville Beauty Spot will be closed 8/26/17 and 8/27/17 for parking lot maintenance.

[Sign up for service updates and reminders](#)



Free Immunizations for Incoming 7th Graders
Make Sure Your Child is Up to Date on State-Required Vaccinations

[Free Tdap and MCV4 vaccinations to incoming seventh-grade students.](#) No appointment is necessary. A parent or designated adult must be present. Please bring a copy of the child's immunization record to the clinic. See the [Press Release](#) for more information.



The City of Gaithersburg wants to hear from you!
Website Survey

The City of Gaithersburg website is getting an overhaul, including a new content management system that controls functionality and some elements of design and navigation. The City wants your input. Feedback on how people use the website and what enhancements they might consider will help Gaithersburg maintain a site that is relevant and easy to use. **Please help them by taking a brief, 13-question [survey](#) by August 25.**



BlackRock Center for the Arts Invites you to an Open House
Saturday, August 26 11:00am-2:00pm
12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown

Get a 360-view of BlackRock's galleries, classes, rental spaces and preview the 2017-18 performance season. A full event of activities for the whole family. Help spread the word by sharing with friends and neighbors!

Visit www.blackrockcenter.org for information on shows, gallery exhibitions and classes.

Zoning Text Amendment on Small Cell Antennas

The County has released a draft zoning text amendment (ZTA) to revise the County's zoning code to address deployment of smaller antennas on streetlights and lower height buildings. The ZTA and summary can be found at montgomerycountymd.gov/towers. Public comment is being accepted and a September public meeting are scheduled.

Public Hearings Scheduled for Proposed Pepco Rate Hike

Pepco is requesting an increase in its electric distribution rates to cover its service reliability improvement costs

The Maryland Public Service Commission will hold two public hearings later this month on a request by the Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco) to increase its electric distribution rates by \$68.6 million. The typical residential customer would see an increase of \$7.37 or 5.5 percent a month.

The first public hearing is scheduled for Monday, August 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Largo Student Center (Room 227 Community Room B) at Prince George's Community College, which is located at 301 Largo Road in Largo.

The second public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, August 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Third Floor Hearing Room of the Montgomery County Council Office Building, which is located at 100 Maryland Avenue in Rockville.

Pepco provides electricity to 566,000 customers in Prince George's and Montgomery counties. Pepco spent \$138.3 million in 2016 on service reliability improvements to its distribution infrastructure, and plans to spend an additional \$150.6 million in 2017.

You're invited!

Ribbon-cutting Ceremony

Stringtown Road Re-opening

Thursday, August 31 10:00am

at the intersection of Stringtown Road and St. Clair Road, Clarksburg

(parking will be available near this location)

Montgomery County Council Seeks Applicants for Council Administrator

The Montgomery County Council is seeking applicants for the position of Council Administrator. On July 31, Council Administrator Steve Farber announced plans to leave his post in February 2018. Mr. Farber was first appointed in October 1991 and has served seven Councils.

The Council Administrator, the principal adviser to the Council, helps develop and implement the Council's policies and work program, oversees the Council staff, and represents the Council on several County boards, including the investment boards of the County's retirement plans.

Applications will close on September 12. Details on the application process can be viewed at: <https://tinyurl.com/CouncilAdminJobSearch>.

For further information, please contact Mary Jane Berry, Administrative Services Coordinator, at MaryJane.Berry@montgomerycountymd.gov.



A Ceremony of Remembrance
Thursday, August 31
Justice Plaza, Rockville
between County Circuit Court and County Executive Office Building
(free parking in the jury parking lot on E. Jefferson Street)

Resource Fair begins at 5:30pm
Event begins at 7:00pm and concludes with a candlelight vigil

Montgomery County Government and Circuit Court Adult Drug Court, in partnership with the members of S.O.U.L. (Surviving Our Ultimate Loss), invite you to participate in the 2nd Annual International Overdose Awareness Day Event. On this day, thousands of people worldwide will stand alongside the friends and families of fatal overdose victims to reflect on those who have been lost. Learn more [HERE](#).

You May Be Eligible for a Property Tax Credit

Modest income homeowners and adults over age 65 may qualify for a property tax credit. To receive the tax credit for this year, you must apply by Sept. 1. For more information [view or download brochure](#).

- Also, an additional tax credit is available to homeowners [who are elderly or retired military](#).
- And, seniors can opt to [defer property tax increases](#).
- Renters: If you have modest income, you might qualify for a rent rebate.

Applications are due Sept. 1, but it's good to file early.
[Check out whether you might qualify and how to apply.](#)

What is PARK(ing) Day? Friday, September 15

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is proud to be part of PARK(ing) Day, which will be held this year on Friday, September 15, 2017. PARK(ing) Day is an annual, global event that gives residents, businesses and organizations an opportunity to temporarily transform metered parking spaces into fun, parklike spots that stimulate conversations about how we use our urban landscape. We hope PARK(ing) Day will encourage people to rethink their transportation choices and support infrastructure that is more transit-oriented, bikeable and walkable.

[Click here](#) for Frequently Asked Questions. [Learn more](#) about International Parking Day.

PARK(ing) Day 2017 Guidelines

[Click here](#) to read the PARK(ing) Day Guidelines. You must indicate you have read the guidelines before filling out the application. You may also visit <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Parking/ParkingDay/index.html> to learn more.





Annual Montgomery County Friendship Picnic Sunday, September 17 1:00pm-5:00pm Wheaton Regional Park

Bringing Together Communities with Diverse Cultures and Faiths

Join Us for a FREE fun-filled afternoon when people of diverse cultures and faiths come together to make new friends and discuss ways to build a better community. This event is endorsed and supported by the Montgomery County Committee on Hate/Violence (COHV), Office of Human Rights and the Human Rights Commission. [See Flyer for Details](#)
[Register Now!](#)

Joint Statement of Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett with Montgomery County Human Rights Commission & the Committee on Hate Violence

http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Statement_Detail.aspx?id=1433

Montgomery County Council Statement on President Trump's Comments on White Nationalist Rally in Charlottesville

http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21322



Go Car Free or Car Lite by teleworking, biking, ridesharing, taking transit or walking!

Car Free Day is celebrated worldwide to draw attention to greener, more sustainable ways of travel, reducing the negative impact on the environment, expanding mobility options beyond solo driving and improving the quality of life.

Everyone who pledges is automatically entered in a raffle – prizes include a Kindle Fire, Capital Bikeshare annual memberships, \$25 SmarTrip cards, and retail gift cards to shops and restaurants.

[PLEDGE HERE](#) to be Car Free on Friday, September 22

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingervices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>